Linking of Orissa district headquarters through STD

*280. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any scheme under consideration to link district headquarters and some other important places in Orissa with Delhi through STD;

(b) if so, what are the details of the scheme and by when it is likely to be implemented; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. (*See* below).

(c) Does not arise.

Statement

1. There are 13 district headquarters in Orissa. 6 of them are already connected. 7 are planned to be connected by 1990.

2. Following district headquarters in Orissa have been connected to the national subscriber dialling network including Delhi:

(1) Balasore (DHQ)
(2) Baripada (DHQ)
(3) Cuttack (DHQ)
(4) Dhenkanal (DHQ)
(5) Puri (DHQ)
(6) Sambalpur (DHQ)

3. Following other stations have also been so connected:

(1) Chowdwar
(2) Jagatpur
(3) Barhampur
(4) Bhubneshwar
(5) Paradeep
(6) Rourkela

4. Following district headquarters are planned to be connected to the national subscriber dialling network by March, 1990:

(1) Bhawaniratna (DHQ)
(2) Bolangir (DHQ)
(3) Chatrapur (DHQ)
(4) Keonjhar (DHQ)
(5) Koraput (DHQ)
(6) Phulbani (DHQ)
(7) Sundergarh (DHQ)

5. Following other stations have also been planned to be so connected:

(1) Angul
(2) Bhadrak
(3) Jeypore
(4) Baragarh
(5) Jharsuguda
(6) Jatni

Pending power projects of Orissa

1873. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the maximum expected gestation period of the power plants proposed to be set up in Orissa;

(b) the various stages at which the proposed thermal and hydel power plants are pending execution in Orissa; and

(c) what steps are being taken to expedite the execution of the pending power projects in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) The gestation period of power plants for Orissa, or elsewhere, depends upon various factors like type and size of scheme, its location, development of infrastructure facilities, timely availability of equipment and material etc. and may extend upto a period of seven to eight years from the time of placement of orders for main plant and equipment.

(b) The status of the proposed power plants of Orissa which are under execution is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) The steps taken to expedite the work on the different power projects include close monitoring of the various activities in the implementation of the projects, arranging Joint Coordination Meetings with the Project Authorities|Manufacturers|Suppliers|Construction Agencies, and visits by Senior Officers of the Central Electricity Authority|Department of Power to the project sites.

Statement

Status of the proposed power plants of Orissa which are under execution

Name of Projec	Capacity (MW)	Present Status of Work
Upper Kolab	3×30	Civil works are in progress. Unit-I already rolled. The other 2 Units are likely to be commissioned in 3/88 and 2/89 respectively.
Rengali Extn. . . .	3×50	All the main works have been completed. The three Units are likely to be commissioned in 2/89, 3/90 and 90-91 respectively.
Hirakud Extn. (Unit-7) . .	37.5	Civil works are in progress. The Unit is likely to be commissioned in 9/89.
Potteru	2×3	Infrastructure works are in progress. The project is likely to be commissioned in 1990-91.
Upper Indravati	4×150	The excavation work of all the four dams, link channel are in progress. Excavation of tunnels, power house areas in progress. The project is likely to be commissioned in 1991-93.
Upper Kolab (EXT)	1×80	Most of the main civil works have already been completed. The project is likely to be completed in 1990-91.
Ib Thermal Power Station . . .	4×210	Land acquisition work in progress. Soil investigation completed. The four Units are likely to be completed in 3/92, 9/92, 3/93 and 9/93 respectively.

Collaboration agreement of BHEL

1874. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the MINISTER OF INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of BHEL's ongoing collaboration agreements with foreign and Indian Companies indicating the name of the Collaborator|Country, the year of agreement, the equipment|services covered, the name of the Indian agent at the time of collaboration agreement;

(b) the details of BHEL's offices in foreign countries indicating the location|country, number of officers and staff, annual expenditure for each of the last three years, operating areas; and

(c) the names of BHEL officers who are|were posted abroad in the same office for more than three years showing office of posting, designation, qualifications, since when posted, total duration of posting?